

## State Water Resources Control Board

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(Via email and Certified Mail)

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**SUBJECT: RED TAG AUTHORITY; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS  
LOCATED AT ALHAMBRA POLICE FACILITY, 211 FIRST STREET,  
ALHAMBRA**

Dear Mr. Smith:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board inspected the USTs at 211 First Street, Alhambra, on April 25, 2016.

A Notice of Violation (NOV) letter was sent to the operator on May 4, 2016, and a Failure to Comply letter was sent to the operator on July 7, 2016. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works was courtesy copied on both of these documents. To date, we have not received all of the compliance documentation needed to return the facility back to compliance.

Since the operator has been recalcitrant in correcting the violations, there is sufficient justification to classify the violations as "significant" in accordance with section 2717(a)(3) of title 23, California Code of Regulations. Pursuant to section 2717.1(b), the local agency has the authority to red tag a facility if significant violations are discovered and go uncorrected by the owner or operator. The State Water Board requests that the local agency issue a notice of significant violation and be prepared to affix a red tag at this facility if the violations are not corrected within ten (10) days. Please forward to the State Water Board a copy of the Notice of Significant Violation, and, if it becomes necessary, evidence that the red tag has been issued.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5276 or by email at [david.boyers@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:david.boyers@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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